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condition for food. We would follow very closely what we provide for state employees as far as food is concerned. This is not going to be an open-ended thing so you can just send in a bill and say you owe me \$300. It is going to be receipted and probably is going to be watched much more carefully than almost any other expenses because we want to make sure that it is actual receipted expenses.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Lewis, I am sure that they would be watched very carefully and I just wanted it for the record that we would be following the same guidelines as other state employees I assume.

SENATOR LEWIS: Absolutely.

SENATOR NICHOL: All right, thank you sir.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers, you have got a motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers moves to add the emergency clause to LB 690.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, for us to get the kind of test that may be necessary, the bill will have to take effect. That is what the purpose of the emergency clause is and the only comment I will make about our present problem is that when the original Attorney General's opinion was written he went to a legal publication which lists various cases under topics and he took a number of cases related generally to the topic of expenses but did not apply to the issue being raised here and cited them without analyzing them. So any of the members who would like a copy of a brief prepared by staff which will thoroughly evaluate this question and has convinced me that the Legislature is entitled to these expenses and they have been granted by courts to Legislatures which have the same kind of constitutional provisions we have, I have to support this bill and I will hope that you will add the emergency clause.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion before the House is the emergency clause on the bill. Anybody wish to speak on that? Whose lights are on? Hearing none, we will vote on the emergency clause. Senator Kahle, do you wish to speak on the emergency clause? All those in favor of adding the emergency clause to 690 vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Chambers' motion.